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COUNTRY	Hungary	REPORT NO.	25X1A
TOPIC	Cserepes Puszta Airfield	635547	
EVALUATION	see below	PLACE OBTAINED	25X1A
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1. During the period from March to 5 September 1952, source determined that Cserepes Puszta airfield was located 42 km. west-northwest of Dekrecen (R 48/K 40), just south of the Tiszacsége (R 48/K 03) - Balmazújváros (R 48/K 21) road, about 800 meters east-southeast of Cserepes Tanya. The field was located in a former triangular meadow which measured about 3.5 km. from east to west and 1 km. from north to south. The field was bordered by the Tiszacsége-Balmazújváros road to the north, a small aspen wood to the west, and fields under cultivation to the southeast. The landing field covered the entire area of the former meadow. The field could be expanded to the east and south. A side road connected the western section of the field with the Tiszacsége-Balmazújváros road. The soil of the landing field was loamy and became slightly muddy after heavy rain.
2. The installation was a newly constructed military airfield. During the spring of 1952, two hangars, each about 20 x 30 meters, and a low guardhouse with quarters, about 8 x 10 meters, had been erected. No further construction work was observed at the field up to September 1952. Hungarian Air Force soldiers stated that new construction work was planned at the field. There were no hard-surface taxiways and runways at the field up to 5 September 1952. A permanent telephone line extended to the field, coming from the direction of Balmazújváros. The field was not surrounded by a fence. There were no active or passive AA defense installations. During daytime, a Hungarian Air Force soldier guarded the field.

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3. During the summer of 1952, a small Hungarian Air Force guard detail and Soviet Air Force officers were stationed at the field. The Hungarian guard personnel stated that the field was to be occupied by a Hungarian Air Force unit. The field was occupied by 4 jet single-engine aircraft, considerably swept-back wings, and high elevator assembly, in addition to a twin-engine aircraft with piston engines. The aircraft bore the Soviet markings. In good weather, two jet aircraft usually took off in an unit, practiced flying and

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also landed together. The twin-engine aircraft with piston engine was seldom observed aloft. The Hungarian guard personnel stated that the aircraft were exclusively flown by the Soviet Air Force officers stationed at the field.

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[REDACTED] Comment. This is the first report on the existence of an airfield near Cserepes Puszta. The swamps along the Tisza River still entered on the old maps have been drained by canals. For location and layout sketches of the airfield, see Annexes 1 and 2.

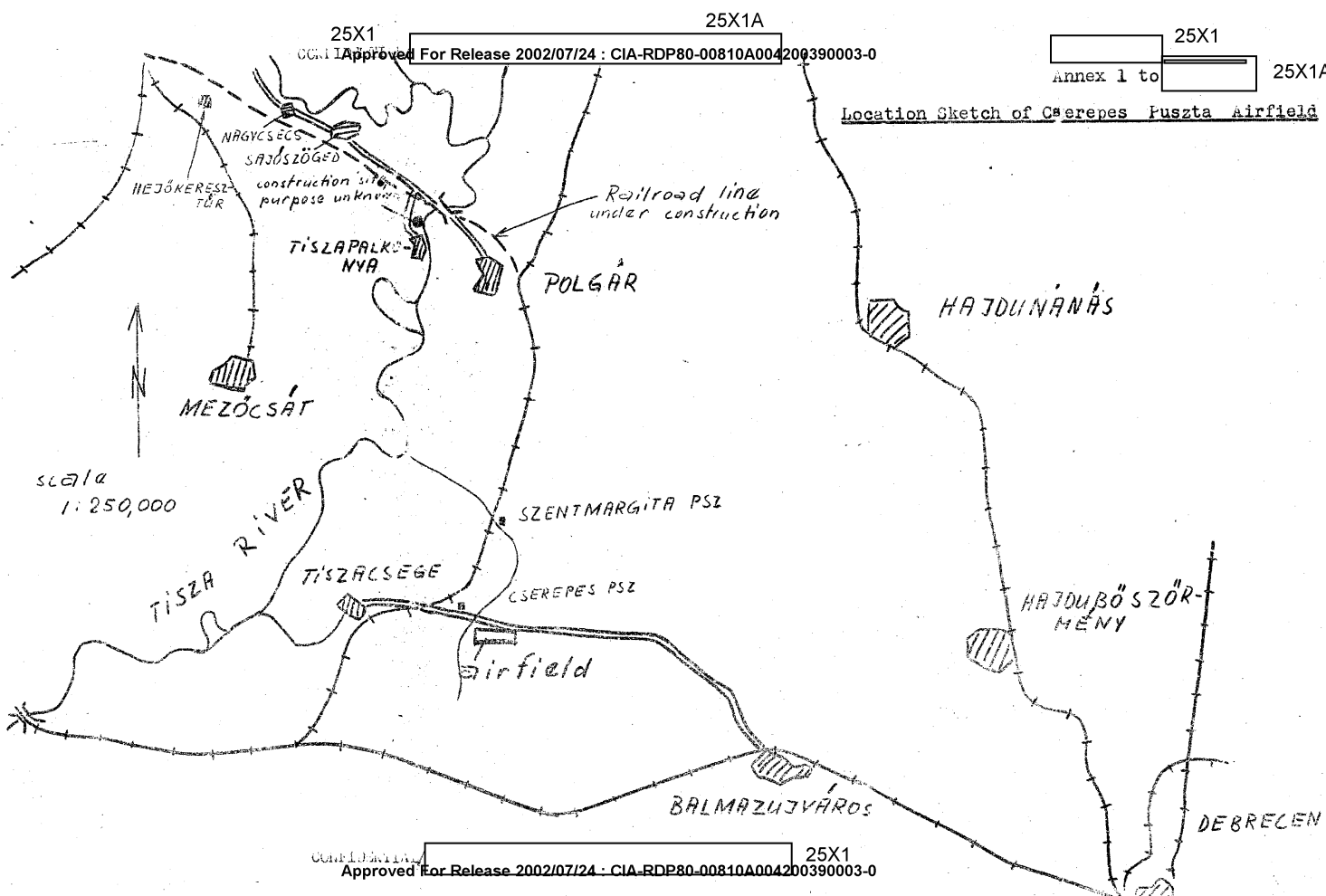
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Location Sketch of Cserepes Puszta Airfield



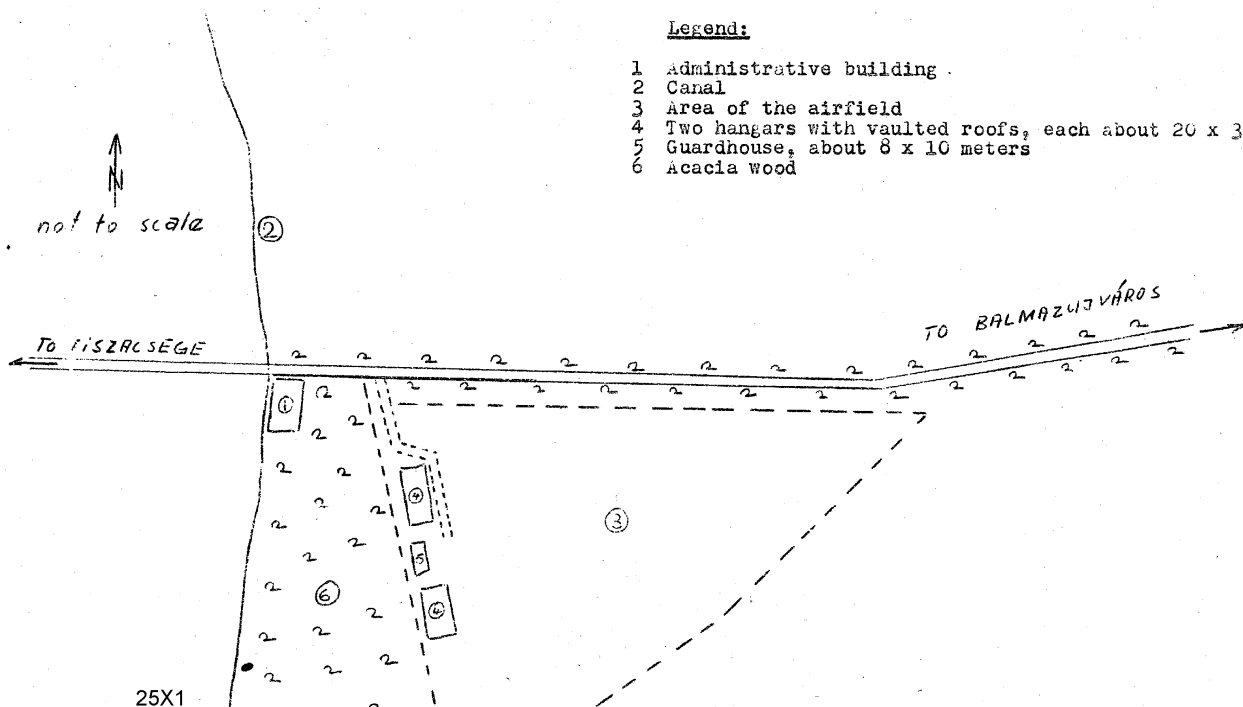
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Layout Sketch of C erepes Puszta Airfield

Legend:

- 1 Administrative building
- 2 Canal
- 3 Area of the airfield
- 4 Two hangars with vaulted roofs, each about 20 x 30 meters
- 5 Guardhouse, about 8 x 10 meters
- 6 Acacia wood



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